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NIGHT LEAD KENNEDY ROUNDUP

BY STERLING F. GREEN

WASHINGTON, FEB. 8 (AP)-PRESIDENT KENNEDY CONCEDED TODAY HE DOES NOT KNOW WHETHER THERE IS A "MISSILE GAP" OR NOT--BUT HE DOES STILL BELIEVE THE NATION IS ENTERING THE YEARS OF ITS GREATEST PERIL.

KENNEDY BACKED AWAY, AT HIS THIRD NEWS CONFERENCE IN THREE WEEKS AS PRESIDENT, FROM HIS CAMPAIGN CHARGES THAT RUSSIA WILL OUTNUMBER THE UNITED STATES IN MISSILES FOR THREE YEARS.

THE PENTAGON NOW IS PRESSING STUDIES TO PROVIDE A CLEAKER ANSWER ON THE BALANCE OF STRATEGIC WEAPONS POWER, THE PRESIDENT SAID. UNTIL THEN, HE DECLARED, ANY JUDGMENT IS PREMATURE.

"OR COURSE, IT IS MY HOPE THAT THE UNITED STATES IS FULLY SECURE," KENNEDY SAID.

"IF IT IS NOT, I THINK IT IS IMPORTANT THAT WE KNOW ABOUT IT, AND . . . I WILL THEN TAKE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF PASSING ON TO THE CONGRESS THIS COLLECTIVE JUDGMENT AS TO OUR POSITION, AND WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE."

THE PRESIDENT SPOKE RAPIDLY, AS USUAL, BUT PLAINLY WAS CHOOSING HIS WORDS CAREFULLY IN THIS EFFORT TO CALM A STORM THAT BLEW UP AFTER A BRIEFING OF REPORTERS MONDAY AT THE PENTAGON.

THE DEFENSE DEPARTMENT SOURCE--IDENTIFIED TODAY AS SECRETARY ROBERT S. McNAMARA--WAS DESCRIBED IN NEWS STORIES AS SAYING PRELIMINARY FINDINGS INDICATE THAT THE MUCH-DISCUSSED MISSILE GAP DID NOT EXIST.

THE LAST NIGHT, WHITE HOUSE PRESS SECRETARY PIERRE SALINGER REJECTED ANY SUCH CONCLUSION. HE DECLARED, AFTER TALKING WITH KENNEDY, THAT THE STORIES WERE PREMATURE, INACCURATE, AND WITHOUT FOUNDATION.

KENNEDY'S WORDS TODAY LEFT THINGS UP IN THE AIR AGAIN.

BUT TWO POINTS STOOD OUT: FIRST, ANY U.S. MISSILE LAG--ONCE ACKNOWLEDGED EVEN BY FORMER PRESIDENT DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER'S SECRETARY OF DEFENSE, NEIL H. McELROY--NO LONGER CAN BE TAKEN FOR GRANTED. AND SECOND, TO THE EXTENT THE PRESUMED GAP MAY HAVE BEEN NARROWED OR CLOSED, THE U.S. HAND IS STRENGTHENED IN THE GAME OF WORLD POLITICS.

EISENHOWER HAD HINTED AT A NEW APPRAISAL OF U.S. AND RUSSIAN MISSILE STRENGTH IN ONE OF HIS FINAL MESSAGES TO CONGRESS. HE SAID: "THE 'BOMBER GAP' OF SEVERAL YEARS AGO WAS ALWAYS A FICTION, AND THE 'MISSILE GAP' SHOWS EVERY SIGN OF BEING THE SAME."

BUT KENNEDY DID NOT RETREAT A BIT FROM THE WARNING HE ISSUED IN HIS STATE OF THE UNION MESSAGE A FORTNIGHT AGO--THAT EACH DAY BRINGS THE COUNTRY "NEARER THE HOUR OF MAXIMUM DANGER." THE TIDE OF EVENTS HAS BEEN RUNNING OUT, AND TIME HAS NOT BEEN OUR FRIEND."

THE PRESIDENT PLEDGED HE WOULD KEEP IN EUROPE THE FIVE AMERICAN DIVISIONS ASSIGNED TO NATO, "OUR CENTRAL AND MOST IMPORTANT DEFENSIVE ALLIANCE."

HE SAID AN OVER-ALL REVIEW OF U. S. POLICY TOWARD NATO IS BEING MADE BY SECRETARY OF STATE DEAN RUSK WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF AN ADVISORY GROUP HEADED BY FORMER SECRETARY OF STATE DEAN ACHESON.

Likewise KENNEDY PLANS TO EXPLORE POSSIBILITIES OF IMPROVING U. S.-RUSSIAN RELATIONS AT A WHITE HOUSE MEETING SATURDAY MORNING WITH LLEWELLYN THOMPSON, U. S. AMBASSADOR TO MOSCOW, WHO RETURNED TO WASHINGTON TONIGHT FOR CONSULTATIONS. RUSK, AND TWO FORMER U. S. AMBASSADORS TO MOSCOW, GEORGE F. KENNAN AND CHARLES E. BOHLEN, WILL PARTICIPATE.

A REPORTER INVITED COMMENT ON REPUBLICAN CHARGES THAT KENNEDY HAS BEEN PUTTING PRESSURE BEHIND HIS PROGRAM BY PAINTING THE PICTURE BLACKER THAN IT REALLY IS "FOR SHOCK PURPOSES." KENNEDY REPLIED

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"I SINCERELY BELIEVE WHAT I SAID. . . I BELIEVE THAT THE NEXT FOUR YEARS WILL BE YEARS IN WHICH THIS COUNTRY AND ITS CAPACITY TO MEET ITS POSITION AND SECURITY WILL BE STRONGLY TESTED.

"I THINK THAT ANYONE WHO LOOKS AT THE GLOBE AND LOOKS AT THE INCREASING POWER OF THE COMMUNIST BLOC, THE BELLIGERENCY WHICH MARKS THE BLOC--PARTICULARLY THE CHINESE COMMUNISTS--I WOULD SAY WOULD COME TO THE CONCLUSION THAT WE ARE TO BE SEVERELY TESTED IN THE NEXT FOUR YEARS."

KENNEDY SAID HE HAD TALKED WITH MCNAMARA AND OTHER DEFENSE OFFICIALS ON THE MISSILE GAP CONTROVERSY. HE QUOTED MCNAMARA AS TELLING HIM THAT "NO STUDY HAD BEEN CONCLUDED IN THE DEFENSE DEPARTMENT WHICH WOULD LEAD TO ANY CONCLUSION AT THIS TIME AS TO WHETHER THERE IS A MISSILE GAP OR NOT."

A PRELIMINARY STUDY MAY BE COMPLETED BY FEB. 20, KENNEDY ADDED. BUT ALREADY REPUBLICANS WERE GIBING AT KENNEDY'S CHANGE OF STANCE ON THE MISSILE GAP ISSUE.

ONE OF THEM, SEN. PRESCOTT BUSH, R-CONN., CALLED FOR FULL HEARINGS BY THE SENATE ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE TO LET THE PUBLIC KNOW WHETHER THERE IS A GAP OR NOT.

THE COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN, SEN. RICHARD B. RUSSELL, D-GA., SAID AT HIS HOME IN WINDER, GA., THAT THE GROUP PLANS TO BEGIN ABOUT FEB. 20 AN INQUIRY "INTO ALL PHASES OF THE DEFENSE POSTURE."

CHAIRMAN STYLES BRIDGES, N.H., OF THE SENATE REPUBLICAN POLICY COMMITTEE SAID THAT IN THE MISSILE GAP MATTER THE KENNEDY ADMINISTRATION WAS SHOWING "AN ABILITY TO REVERSE ITS FIELD AS QUICKLY AS THE BEST COLLEGE HALFBACK."

"I CANNOT HELP BUT WONDER IF PLAYING TOUCH FOOTBALL GIVES ONE A SPECIAL TALENT FOR REVERSING THE FIELD IN POLITICS," BRIDGES SAID IN A STATEMENT.

"MR. KENNEDY, APPARENTLY, HAS FELT THE NEED TO SQUELCH THE CANDOR OF THE PENTAGON IN ORDER TO AVOID DISCREDITING THE RECENT CAMPAIGN TACTICS OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY. BY HIS ACTIONS IN THIS MATTER, MR. KENNEDY HAS INDICATED THAT, IN MANY RESPECTS, THE NEW ADMINISTRATION IS: (1) CONFUSED, AND (2) LACKING IN COORDINATION."

THERE WAS LESS LAUGHTER AND -- EXCEPT FOR THE MISSILE CONTROVERSY -- A BIT LESS HOT NEWS AT TODAY'S NEWS CONFERENCE, ATTENDED BY 297 REPORTERS, THAN IN THE TWO EARLIER, NATIONALLY TELEVISED QUESTION-AND-ANSWER EXCHANGES.

BUT THE PRESIDENT GAVE HIS VIEWS IN THESE FIELDS -- CIVIL RIGHTS --

KENNEDY PLEDGED ANEW -- AS HE DID IN HIS CAMPAIGN -- THAT HE WILL USE THE "MORAL AUTHORITY, OR POSITION OF INFLUENCE OF THE PRESIDENT," TO HELP BRING COMPLIANCE WITH COURT ORDERS ON THE RACIAL INTEGRATION OF SCHOOLS.

"I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WHATEVER I DO OR SAY DOES HAVE SOME BENEFICIAL EFFECT AND, THEREFORE, IT IS A MATTER WHICH WE ARE CONSIDERING," THE PRESIDENT SAID.

TAX REDUCTION --

KENNEDY SAID HE DOES NOT PLAN TO ASK CONGRESS NOW TO CUT TAXES AS A RECESSION ANTIDOTE. THE ADMINISTRATION WILL TAKE ANOTHER LOOK IN APRIL, HE SAID, TO SEE WHETHER RECOVERY IS IN SIGHT.

BUT HE INDICATED THAT, IF HE DOES LATER ASK A TEMPORARY TAX REDUCTION TO SPUR BUSINESS, IT PROBABLY WILL AMOUNT TO \$4 OR \$5 BILLION.

THAT WOULD REPRESENT ABOUT A 10 PER CENT CUT IN INDIVIDUAL INCOME TAXES.

ECONOMIC PROGRAM --

REGARDLESS OF THE COMING APRIL REAPPRAISAL OF THE ECONOMY, KENNEDY SAID. CONGRESS SHOULD ACT PROMPTLY ON THE ECONOMIC PROPOSALS ALREADY

MADE, "MOST ESPECIALLY THE UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION PAYMENTS." HE HAS ASKED AN EMERGENCY, FEDERALLY FINANCED 13-WEEK EXTENSION OF JOBLESS PAY.

IF CONGRESS WILL ACT ON THIS REQUEST, AS WELL AS ON AID TO DISTRESSED AREAS AND IMPROVED SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS, KENNEDY SAID, "WE CAN GET A BETTER IDEA OF PERHAPS WHAT ACTION CAN BE TAKEN IN APRIL."

LAOS--

THE PRESIDENT HINTED THE GOVERNMENT SHORTLY MAY MAKE SOME MORE FORCEFUL MOVE TO RESOLVE THE CRISIS IN LAOS.

U.S.-RUSSIAN RELATIONS --

THE PRESIDENT SAID RUSSIAN ACTIVITIES IN LAOS AND THE CONGO ARE AMONG THE PROBLEMS THAT MUST BE SOLVED BEFORE FURTHER PROGRESS CAN BE MADE TOWARD SOVIET-AMERICAN UNDERSTANDING.

ASKED TO OUTLINE ANY DEVELOPMENTS -- IN ADDITION TO THE RECENT RELEASE OF THE RB47 FLIERS -- WHICH "YOU MIGHT HOPE TO TAKE PLACE PRIOR TO ANY POSSIBLE FUTURE SUMMIT MEETING" WITH PREMIER NIKITA S. KHRUSHCHEV, KENNEDY NOTED THAT HE WILL MEET SEVERAL TIMES THIS WEEK WITH LLEWELLYN THOMPSON, U.S. AMBASSADOR TO RUSSIA, AND OTHERS.

THESE MEETINGS WILL HELP CHART "FUTURE RELATIONS WITH THE SOVIET UNION," KENNEDY SAID.

KENNEDY MOTORED FROM THE WHITE HOUSE TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT AUDITORIUM THROUGH WASHINGTON'S FOURTH SNOWSTORM IN FOUR CONSECUTIVE WEEKS.

THE WEATHER DIDN'T CUT DOWN THE ATTENDANCE MARKEDLY, BUT CAME IN FOR MENTION WHEN KENNEDY WAS ASKED WHETHER THE PLANS TO USE TWO GOVERNMENT YACHTS OR THE CATOCTIN MOUNTAIN RETREAT WHICH EISENHOWER NAMED CAMP DAVID, IN HONOR OF HIS GRANDSON.

"I AM NOT GOING TO USE THE YACHTS AT THE PRESENT TIME," KENNEDY SAID WITH A GLANCE IN THE GENERAL DIRECTION OF THE POTOMAC RIVER. REPORTERS LAUGHED, BECAUSE THE POTOMAC IS JAMMED WITH 12 TO 18 INCHES OF ICE.

KENNEDY SAID HE PROBABLY WOULDN'T USE CAMP DAVID VERY OFTEN, BUT DIDN'T THINK HE'D CHANGE THE NAME BACK TO "SHANGRI LA" -- THE TITLE GIVEN IT BY ITS FIRST USE PRESIDENTIAL GUEST, FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT.

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(240) CAMPAIGN-MISSILE GAP

WASHINGTON, FEB. 8 (AP)-IN HIS CAMPAIGN FOR ELECTION LAST FALL, PRESIDENT KENNEDY SAID A MISSILE GAP KEPT AMERICA'S DEFENSE STRENGTH BELOW THAT OF RUSSIA.

KENNEDY TOLD THE AMERICAN LEGION IN MIAMI LAST OCT. 18:

"WE MUST STEP UP CRASH PROGRAMS TO PROVIDE OURSELVES WITH THE ULTIMATE WEAPONS--THE POLARIS SUBMARINES AND MINUTEMAN MISSILES--WHICH WILL EVENTUALLY CLOSE THE MISSILE GAP BY PROVIDING US WITH AN INVULNERABLE RETALIATORY FORCE."

HIS ADDRESS TO THE LEGION WAS KENNEDY'S MAJOR CAMPAIGN SPEECH ON DEFENSE. HIS REPUBLICAN OPPONENT, FORMER VICE PRESIDENT RICHARD M. NIXON, ALSO ADDRESSED THE LEGION THAT DAY.

AT HIS NEWS CONFERENCE TODAY, HOWEVER, KENNEDY WOULD NOT SAY THAT A MISSILE GAP EXISTED.

HE SAID THE DEFENSE DEPARTMENT WAS MAKING STUDIES OF THE SITUATION AND "IT IS MY INFORMATION THAT THESE STUDIES ARE NOT COMPLETE, AND THEREFORE IT WOULD BE PREMATURE TO REACH A JUDGMENT AS TO WHETHER THERE IS A GAP OR NOT A GAP."

DURING THE CAMPAIGN, KENNEDY DID NOT STRESS A MISSILE GAP AS MUCH AS OTHER DEMOCRATIC CRITICS OF EISENHOWER ADMINISTRATION DEFENSE POLICY DID.

BUT ON AUG. 26, FOR EXAMPLE, HE SAID THAT THE "MISSILE LAG LOOMS LARGER AND LARGER."

AND, IN SAN DIEGO, CALIF., ON SEPT. 11, HE BROUGHT UP THE MISSILE GAP AGAIN, SAYING THE DANGER OF A RUSSIAN MISSILE ATTACK WOULD GROW AS THE SOVIET UNION BUILT UP AN EDGE IN MISSILES.

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WINDER, GA., FEB. 8 (AP)-THE MISSILE GAP BETWEEN RUSSIA AND THE UNITED STATES IS REAL, SEN. RICHARD B. RUSSELL, D-GA., SAID TODAY.

BUT THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SENATE ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE ADDED HE IS NOT SO CONCERNED ABOUT IT AS SOME OF MY DEMOCRATIC COLLEAGUES IN THE CONGRESS--WE ARE RAPIDLY CLOSING THE GAP."

HOME FOR A BRIEF VISIT, RUSSELL TOOK ISSUE WITH A REPORT FROM A HIGH PENTAGON SOURCE THAT NO MISSILE GAP EXISTS--A REPORT SINCE DENIED BY PRESIDENT KENNEDY.

"THERE'S NO QUESTION A MISSILE GAP DOES EXIST," RUSSELL SAID IN AN INTERVIEW. "RUSSIA IS AHEAD OF US IN THAT SHE HAS MORE POWERFUL ROCKET ENGINES, ENGINES WITH MORE POWERFUL THRUST."

BUT IN EXPRESSING LESS CONCERN THAN SOME OF HIS COLLEAGUES, GEORGIA'S SENIOR SENATOR ADDED THE UNITED STATES "HAS THE WORLD'S MOST POWERFUL WEAPON, THE POLARIS SUBMARINE, AND THE WORLD'S MOST EFFECTIVE STRIKING FORCE, THE STRATEGIC AIR COMMAND."

"NEITHER WE NOR THE RUSSIANS HAVE DEVELOPED MISSILES TO THE POINT WHERE WE WOULD BE WILLING TO RISK MILLIONS OF THE LIVES OF OUR OWN PEOPLE TO USE THEM," RUSSELL SAID. "YOU CAN'T ALWAYS DEPEND ON A MISSILE. BUT WE'VE PERFECTED THE AIRPLANE TO THE POINT WHERE YOU CAN JUST ABOUT ALWAYS DEPEND ON THEM."

AS A RESULT OF THE NEW FLAREUP OF THE MISSILE GAP CONTROVERSY--IT WAS ONE OF THE BIG ISSUES IN KENNEDY'S ELECTION CAMPAIGN--SEN. PRESCOTT BUSH, R-CONN., SAID HE HAD WRITTEN RUSSELL ASKING FOR A FULL HEARING OF THE SENATE ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE TO DETERMINE IF A MISSILE GAP EXISTS.

RUSSELL SAID HE HAS NOT RECEIVED THE LETTER AND WOULD CALL NO SPECIFIC HEARING ON MISSILES.

BUT HE SAID HIS COMMITTEE WILL BEGIN ITS REGULAR ANNUAL HEARINGS ABOUT FEB. 20.

"WE WILL HAVE OUR REGULAR BRIEFING ON THE NATION'S DEFENSES BY THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF," RUSSELL SAID, "AND SEN. BUSH CAN ASK THEM ALL THE QUESTIONS HE WANTS TO. WE ARE GOING INTO ALL PHASES OF THE DEFENSE POSTURE. THIS IS A REGULAR THING. WE DO IT EVERY YEAR."

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KENNEDY-NATO (420)

BY ENDRE MARTON

WASHINGTON, FEB. 8 (AP)-PRESIDENT KENNEDY TODAY FIRMLY PLEDGED TO KEEP AMERICAN TROOPS ASSIGNED TO THE ATLANTIC ALLIANCE IN EUROPE.

FURTHERMORE, IT IS UNDERSTOOD FROM OTHER SOURCES, THE ADMINISTRATION WILL COME OUT SHORTLY WITH AN ENDORSEMENT OF AN OFFER MADE BY FORMER SECRETARY OF STATE CHRISTIAN A. HERTER TO FURNISH NATO WITH A NUCLEAR STRIKING FORCE UNDER ITS OWN COMMAND.

AT THE OUTSET OF HIS NEWS CONFERENCE THE PRESIDENT DESCRIBED NATO AS "OUR CENTRAL AND MOST IMPORTANT DEFENSIVE ALLIANCE."

THE UNITED STATES, KENNEDY DECLARED, WILL REMAIN "A FULL AND ENERGETIC PARTNER" WITH THE OTHER 14 MEMBERS OF THE ALLIANCE, AND "IN PARTICULAR WE WISH TO MAINTAIN OUR MILITARY STRENGTH IN EUROPE."

THE ADMINISTRATION'S NATO EXPERTS EXPLAIN THAT KENNEDY, BY VOLUNTEERING THESE REMARKS, WANTED TO PUT AN END TO EARLIER SPECULATION THAT THE UNITED STATES MIGHT WITHDRAW SOME OF ITS FIVE DIVISIONS ASSIGNED TO EUROPE.

KENNEDY ALSO ANNOUNCED THAT AN ADVISORY GROUP, HEADED BY FORMER SECRETARY OF STATE DEAN ACHESON, IS ASSISTING SECRETARY OF STATE DEAN RUSK IN AN OVER-ALL REVIEW OF U. S. POLICY TOWARD NATO.

THE GROUP, IT WAS LEARNED, IS NOW RECEIVING WORKING PAPERS FROM EXPERTS AT THE STATE AND DEFENSE DEPARTMENTS, AND SHOULD MEET FOR THE FIRST TIME LATER THIS WEEK.

BESIDES ACHESON, IT COMPRISES AMBASSADOR THOMAS K. FINLETTER, U. S. PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE TO NATO; ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE FOR EUROPE FOY D. KOHLER; ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE FOR POLICY PLANNING GEORGE C. MCGHEE, ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR INTERNATIONAL SECURITY AFFAIRS PAUL NITZE, AND KENNEDY AIDES WALT W. ROSTOW AND MCGEORGE BUNDY.

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NO DRAMATIC RESULTS SHOULD BE EXPECTED FROM THE GROUP'S ACTIVITIES, OFFICIALS CAUTIONED. ITS MAIN TASK IS TO CLARIFY AND SPELL OUT U. S. PHILOSOPHY IN CONNECTION WITH NATO, TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS CONCERNING EVENTUAL CHANGES IN NATO'S STRATEGY, AND TO BRING IT IN HARMONY WITH THE GENERAL REVIEW OF U. S. STRATEGIC THINKING.

ONE OF THE QUESTIONS THE GROUP WILL IMMEDIATELY DISCUSS IS THE TEN-FIVE POLARIS-EQUIPPED SUBMARINES UNDER NATO COMMAND. HERTER, HOWEVER, LINKED THE OFFER WITH A REQUEST THAT THE ALLIANCE BUY 100 MEDIUM-RANGE MISSILES IN THIS COUNTRY.

HERTER'S OFFER WAS BASED ON SECRET PROPOSALS MADE TO THE EISENHOWER ADMINISTRATION BY HARVARD PROF. ROBERT B. BOWIE, SUGGESTING TWO MAJOR OBJECTIVES:

1. TO ABANDON THE MASSIVE RETALIATION CONCEPT OF NATO AND STRENGTHEN IT WITH CONVENTIONAL FORCES, AND
2. TO PROVIDE THE ALLIANCE WITH NUCLEAR WEAPONS, INCLUDING POLARIS-CARRYING SUBMARINES UNDER NATO'S DIRECT COMMAND.

WHILE KENNEDY DID NOT COMMIT HIMSELF CONCERNING THESE IDEAS, EITHER BEFORE OR SINCE HIS ELECTION, A BOOK REVIEW HE WROTE LAST FALL CLEARLY INDICATED THAT HE APPROVED OF BOTH CONCEPTS.

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(200) BRIEFINGS

WASHINGTON, FEB. 8 (AP)-PRESIDENT KENNEDY SAID TODAY HE REGARDS BACKGROUND BRIEFINGS OF NEWSMEN BY GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AS USEFUL BUT SOMETIMES HAZARDOUS.

AND HE ADDED: "I BELIEVE MR. McNAMARA MIGHT AGREE WITH THAT." KENNEDY'S COMMENT ABOUT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE ROBERT S. McNAMARA DREW LAUGHTER AT HIS NEWS CONFERENCE, FOR SOME NEWSPAPERS HAD NAMED McNAMARA AS THE ADMINISTRATION OFFICIAL WHO TOLD NEWSMEN AT A BACKGROUND BRIEFING THAT THE MISSILE GAP BETWEEN RUSSIA AND THE UNITED STATES DID NOT EXIST. THE STORIES QUOTING THE OFFICIAL HAD DRAWN A DENIAL FROM THE WHITE HOUSE.

AS FOR BACKGROUND BRIEFINGS, IN WHICH THE USUAL PRACTICE IS THAT NEWSMEN MAY NOT QUOTE BY NAME THE OFFICIAL CONCERNED, KENNEDY SAID: "I HOPE IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE TO WORK OUT SOME SATISFACTORY SYSTEM WHERE REPORTERS WHO ARE CHARGED WITH COVERING MATTERS WHICH ARE PARTICULARLY COMPLICATED...WOULD HAVE A CHANCE TO DISCUSS WITH THE RESPONSIBLE OFFICIAL ON A BACKGROUND BASIS SO THAT THEIR STORIES WOULD BE MORE ACCURATE."

"EVIDENTLY A CONTROVERSY HAS ARisen FROM IT," KENNEDY CONTINUED, REFERRING TO THE BRIEFING ON THE MISSILE GAP, "BUT I HOPE THAT IT WILL BE POSSIBLE FOR THE RESPONSIBLE OFFICIALS AND THE REPORTERS WHO ARE PARTICULARLY CONCERNED WITH THAT AREA, TO WORK OUT GROUND RULES SO THEY COULD BE CONTINUED."

WASHINGTON, FEB. 8 (AP)-PRESIDENT KENNEDY TODAY ENDORSED PRESIDENT THEODORE ROOSEVELT'S ADVICE TO "SPEAK SOFTLY, AND CARRY A BIG STICK."

IN REPLY TO A QUESTION AT HIS NEWS CONFERENCE ABOUT THE PRACTICE OF REQUIRING WHITE HOUSE CLEARANCE FOR POLICY SPEECHES BY MILITARY OFFICERS, KENNEDY SAID:

"I WOULD HOPE THAT THOSE WHO MAKE SPEECHES IN THE AREA OF NATIONAL SECURITY...WOULD ATTEMPT TO HAVE THOSE SPEECHES COORDINATED WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE AND WITH THE WHITE HOUSE, SO THAT WE CAN MAKE SURE THAT THOSE SPEECHES REPRESENT NATIONAL POLICY."

"I MUST SAY IT SEEMS TO ME THAT THEODORE ROOSEVELT SET A VERY GOOD STANDARD FOR US ALL, AND ONE WHICH I HOPE THIS ADMINISTRATION WILL FOLLOW."

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NEW YORK, FEB. 8 (AP)-LLEWELLYN THOMPSON, UNITED STATES AMBASSADOR TO THE SOVIET UNION, RETURNED TODAY TO CONFER WITH PRESIDENT KENNEDY ON WAYS TO IMPROVE RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES. THOMPSON ARRIVED AT IDLEWILD AIRPORT ABOARD A JET AIRLINER, THEN

HEADED FOR WASHINGTON. HE HAD PLANNED TO FLY TO THE CAPITAL BUT CHANGED TO A TRAIN BECAUSE OF ADVERSE WEATHER REPORTS FROM WASHINGTON.

HE SAID HE WOULD SEE KENNEDY AT THE PRESIDENT'S CONVENIENCE.

KENNEDY ANNOUNCED JAN. 31 THAT HE WAS CALLING THOMPSON BACK FOR DISCUSSIONS. THOMPSON IS SLATED TO GO BACK TO MOSCOW IN TWO WEEKS.

THE AMBASSADOR WAS NONCOMMITAL ON A NUMBER OF QUESTIONS NEWSMEN ASKED AT THE AIRPORT.

HE SAID HE DID NOT KNOW WHETHER SOVIET PREMIER NIKITA KRUSHCHEV HAD A UNITED STATES VISIT IN MIND OR WHETHER HE THOUGHT THERE WAS A MAN IN THE SOVIET'S NEWEST SPUTNIK.

PRESS D AS TO A POSSIBLE KRUSHCHEV VISIT, THOMPSON SAID:

"I CAN'T TALK OF THAT NOW."

NOR WOULD THE AMBASSADOR SAY WHETHER HE FORESAW "AN EARLY THAW" IN RELATIONS BETWEEN MOSCOW AND WASHINGTON. HE DID SAY THAT RUSSIA HAD BEEN HAVING VERY WARM WEATHER.

TO A QUESTION WHETHER THE RUSSIANS MIGHT RELEASE GARY FRANCIS POWERS, THE IMPRISONED U2 SPY FLIGHT PILOT, THOMPSON SAID:

"I HAVE NO INDICATION ONE WAY OR ANOTHER ON POWERS."

THE AMBASSADOR SAID THE RUSSIAN PEOPLE GENERALLY ARE FRIENDLY TO AMERICANS AND ARE "PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN OUR NEW PRESIDENT." THOMPSON WAS DUE IN WASHINGTON LATER TODAY ABOARD A 3:30 P.M. TRAIN FROM NEW YORK.

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KENNEDY-CHINA

WASHINGTON, FEB. 8 (AP)-A WHITE HOUSE VISITOR SAID HE GOT THE IMPRESSION FROM PRESIDENT KENNEDY TODAY THAT KENNEDY HASN'T MADE UP HIS MIND WHETHER COMMUNIST CHINA SHOULD BE ADMITTED TO THE UNITED NATIONS AND GIVEN DIPLOMATIC RECOGNITION BY THE UNITED STATES.

THE VISITOR WAS JOHN L. SMITH OF KANSAS CITY, MO., PUBLIC RELATIONS DIRECTOR OF THE VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS. SMITH ACCOMPANIED A VFW DELEGATION, INCLUDING NATIONAL COMMANDER TED CONNELL OF KILLEEN, TEX., TO A CONFERENCE WITH KENNEDY.

CONNELL TOLD REPORTERS THE DELEGATION EXPRESSED "VERY STRONGLY" THE VFW'S CONTINUING OPPOSITION BOTH TO ADMITTING RED CHINA TO THE UNITED NATIONS AND EXTENDING DIPLOMATIC RECOGNITION BY THIS COUNTRY.

"HE (KENNEDY) SAID IT CERTAINLY IS A PROBLEM," CONNELL REPORTED.

HE SAID THE PRESIDENT ADDED:

"I HAVE MY DOUBTS ABOUT THE OUTCOME."

CONNELL SAID KENNEDY DID NOT SAY SPECIFICALLY HOW HE FELT ABOUT THE MATTER OF ADMITTING COMMUNIST CHINA TO THE U. N. AND THE QUESTION OF DIPLOMATIC RECOGNITION BY THE UNITED STATES.

REPORTERS THEN ASKED WHETHER MEMBERS OF THE DELEGATION GOT THE IMPRESSION THAT KENNEDY IS NOT CERTAIN WHETHER THESE TWO STEPS SHOULD BE TAKEN.

THE REPLY CAME FROM SMITH WHO SAID:

"I WOULD THINK SO (THAT KENNEDY IS NOT CERTAIN)--THERE STILL IS VACUUM THERE."

THE VFW GROUP PRESENTED TO KENNEDY, A MEMBER OF THE VETERANS' ORGANIZATION, THE VFW ANNUAL BERNARD BARUCH AWARD. IT IS GIVEN ANNUALLY TO THE MAN THE VFW CONCLUDES HAS CONTRIBUTED MOST TO AMERICAN SECURITY AND UNITY, AND TO WORLD PEACE.

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BY TOM OCHILTREE

LONDON, FEB. 8 (AP)-FIVE PERSONS ACCUSED OF BETRAYING BRITISH NAVAL SECRETS TO MOSCOW ASSUMED A GAY AIR TODAY EVEN AS FRESH EVIDENCE PILED UP AGAINST THEM IN BOW STREET MAGISTRATE'S COURT. BOOKSELLER PETER KROGER, 50, WINKED AND BLEW A KISS TO SOMEONE

AT A HEARING THAT WILL DECIDE WHETHER THE GROUP MUST STAND TRIAL ON CHARGES THAT COULD LEAD TO SEVEN YEARS IMPRISONMENT.

HIS WIFE, HELEN, 47, SMILED AND WHISPERED TO HIM AT THE STARCHY TESTIMONY OF CHIEF INSPECTOR FERGUSON SMITH.

SMILES PLAYED ACROSS THE FACES OF ALL FIVE WHEN THE PROSECUTION INTRODUCED A RADIO TRANSMITTER--ALLEGEDLY USED FOR CONTACTS WITH A SOVIET SPYMASTER--FOUND CACHED IN A CONCRETE-TOPPED PIT UNDER A TRAP DOOR IN THE KROGERS' KITCHEN FLOOR.

THEN THERE WERE MYSTERY FICTION TYPE CHINESE SCROLLS, A SINGLE ONE OF WHICH HELD \$1,800 IN AMERICAN CURRENCY, AERIAL WIRE, HEADPHONES, PHOTOGRAPHIC EQUIPMENT AND A FILM OF SIGNAL PLANS.

BRITISH COUNTERINTELLIGENCE AGENTS TESTIFIED THEY SEIZED THESE OBJECTS AT HOMES OF THE FIVE.

WHETHER STUDIED ACTING OR RELIEF AT A PROSECUTION STATEMENT THAT THE GOVERNMENT WILL CLOSE ITS CASE TOMORROW, THE PRISONERS' ATTITUDE CONTRASTED WITH THEIR GLUMY EXPRESSIONS YESTERDAY IN THE DOCK.

ACCUSED WITH THE KROGERS ARE GORDON A. LONSDALE, 36, THE REPUTED MASTERMIND; HARRY FREDERICK HOUGHTON, 55, AND HIS FIANCÉE, MISS ETHEL ELIZABETH GEE, 46, BOTH BRITISH CIVIL SERVANTS WHO HELD POSITIONS OF TRUST AT THE ROYAL NAVY'S UNDERWATER WEAPONS ESTABLISHMENT AT PORTLAND.

ATTORNEY GENERAL SIR REGINALD MANNINGHAM-BULLER SAID YESTERDAY LONSDALE "SEEMS TO BE A RUSSIAN" THOUGH HE CARRIED A CANADIAN PASSPORT.

CANADIAN AUTHORITIES HAVE DISCLAIMED HIM. HOWEVER, THE TORONTO TELEGRAM SAID A CANADIAN POLICE INVESTIGATION SHOWS "THE DATE OF BIRTH ON LONSDALE'S FORGED PASSPORT IS THE SAME AS ON A BIRTH CERTIFICATE ISSUED TO A GORDON ARNOLD LONSDALE BORN AUG. 27, 1924, IN COBALT, ONT."

THE GOVERNMENT MAINTAINS THAT HOUGHTON AND MISS GEE OBTAINED SECRET INFORMATION ABOUT THE UNDERWATER WEAPONS ESTABLISHMENT AT PORTLAND AND SOLD IT TO LONSDALE, WHO IN TURN TOOK IT TO THE KROGERS FOR TRANSMISSION TO MOSCOW.

SUBMARINES MAKE UP A FORMIDABLE PART OF THE RUSSIAN NAVY. THE SOVIET UNION IS CREDITED BY WESTERN AUTHORITIES WITH A FLEET OF 500, THE BIGGEST IN THE WORLD.

IN DRY, OFFICIAL TONES, DETECTIVE SUPT. GEORGE SMITH TOLD THE COURT THAT HE CAUGHT LONSDALE, HOUGHTON AND MISS GEE RED-HANDED JAN. 7 NEAR LONDON'S OLD VIC THEATER.

SMITH SAID THE ARRESTS WERE MADE AFTER MISS GEE WAS SEEN TO HAND LONSDALE A SHOPPING BASKET CONTAINING TWO PARCELS. INSIDE THE PARCELS WERE FOUR PAMPHLETS RELATING TO UNDERWATER TESTS AND A CAN PACKED WITH FILMS OF 212 PAGES OF THE SECRET ROYAL NAVY BOOK "PARTICULARS OF WAR VESSELS."

THEN CHIEF INSPECTOR FERGUSON SMITH TOLD OF THE SEARCH MADE AT THE KROGERS' BUNGALOW:

A TRAP DOOR WAS FOUND IN THE KITCHEN FLOOR WHICH GAVE ACCESS TO A SPACE, ABOUT 45 INCHES DEEP, "IN WHICH WAS A CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT OF RUBBLE."

"PART OF THE RUBBLE WAS MOVED AWAY AND UNDERNEATH IT I FOUND A CONCRETE COVER ABOUT FOUR INCHES THICK.

"BENEATH THE COVER WAS A WOODEN BOARD, AND BELOW THE BOARD WAS A HOLE APPROXIMATELY 20 INCHES BY 6 1/4 INCHES BY 18 INCHES. THE TRANSMITTER WAS WRAPPED IN TWO LARGE PLASTIC BAGS IN THE HOLE."

THOUGH HE TESTIFIED TO FINDING THE BLUE BATHING COSTUME, "PROBABLY FEMALE," ITS SIGNIFICANCE WAS NOT BROUGHT OUT.

INSPECTOR SMITH SAID RADIO TRANSMITTING AND RECEIVING ORDERS FOUND IN THE HOME INDICATED THE KROGERS HAD BEEN IN TOUCH WITH MOSCOW AT LEAST SINCE APRIL 14, 1960.

HE SAID THE ORDERS COVERED THE PERIOD FROM THAT DATE UNTIL JAN. 26 --19 DAYS AFTER THE FIVE WERE TAKEN INTO CUSTODY.

SMITH TESTIFIED THE ORDERS COVERED TRANSMISSIONS AND RECEPTIONS ON FR431PES EVERY MONDAY AND ON THE FIRST AND THIRD SUNDAYS IN EACH MONTH.

WITH LONDON SPIES (170)

TORONTO, FEB. 8 (AP)--THE TELEGRAM SAYS A POLICE INVESTIGATION LEADS IT TO BELIEVE THAT GORDON ARNOLD LONSDALE, HELD ON ESPIONAGE CHARGES IN LONDON, MAY BE A NATIVE-BORN CANADIAN. S-78

THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT HAS SUGGESTED THAT LONSDALE, ALLEGED CENTRAL FIGURE IN A SPY RING, IS A RUSSIAN CARRYING A FORGED CANADIAN PASSPORT. THE TELEGRAM SAYS:

"ONE THING IS SURE. . .

"THE DATE OF BIRTH ON LONSDALE'S FORGED PASSPORT IS THE SAME AS ON A BIRTH CERTIFICATE ISSUED TO A GORDON ARNOLD LONSDALE BORN AUG. 27, 1924, IN COBALT, ONT."

"ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE HAVE LEARNED THAT LONSDALE AND HIS MOTHER MOVED TO KIRKLAND LAKE, ONT., IN THE LATE 1920S BUT THEY HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO TRACE THEM POSITIVELY BEYOND THAT POINT."

"POLICE SAID THAT IT APPEARS THAT THE REAL LONSDALE IS EITHER ON TRIAL IN LONDON OR IS BEING IMPERSONATED BY A RUSSIAN."

THE TELEGRAM SAYS IT LEARNED THAT LONSDALE'S PARENTS SEPARATED IN KIRKLAND LAKE AND THE YOUNGSTER AND HIS MOTHER WENT TO EUROPE, ADDING THAT POLICE BELIEVE LONSDALE'S MOTHER WAS BORN IN FINLAND AND EVENTUALLY TOOK HIM TO RUSSIA BY WAY OF THAT COUNTRY.

LATE IN 1954 A MAN CALLING HIMSELF GORDON ARNOLD LONSDALE APPEARED IN VANCOUVER AND ACQUIRED A DRIVING LICENSE AND A CANADIAN PASSPORT.

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(170) BUDAPEST, HUNGARY, FEB. 8 (AP)--WESTERN SOURCES CLAIMED TODAY TO HAVE INFORMATION THAT MORE THAN 50 ROMAN CATHOLIC PRIESTS HAVE BEEN ARRESTED RECENTLY IN THIS COMMUNIST NATION.

THE SOURCES SAID THE PRIESTS WOULD BE TRIED ON CHARGES OF COMMITTING ANTISTATE OR HOMOSEXUAL OFFENSES.

AN OFFICIAL SPOKESMAN DECLINED COMMENT.

ANNOUNCEMENT YESTERDAY BY THE NEWS AGENCY MTI OF THE ARREST OF 10 PERSONS INDICATED THE POSSIBILITY OF MASS TRIALS.

THE ANNOUNCEMENT SAID THE 10, INCLUDING FIVE ROMAN CATHOLIC PRIESTS AND THREE FORMER MONKS, LED AN ORGANIZATION DIRECTING ACTIVITIES AGAINST HUNGARY'S GOVERNMENT.

IN RECENT MONTHS THE REGIME HAS BEEN INCREASING ITS EXHORTATIONS TO THE CHURCH TO GET IN STEP WITH COMMUNISM.

WHILE MOST OF THE PRESSURE HAS BEEN DIRECTED AGAINST THE CATHOLICS, WESTERN OBSERVERS SAID CALVINIST CLERGYMEN ALSO HAVE BEEN

STRONGLY URGED TO GIVE MORE ACTIVE SUPPORT TO COMMUNIST PROGRAMS.  
ABOUT 65 PER CENT OF HUNGARY'S PEOPLE ARE CATHOLIC, AND 25  
PER CENT CALVINIST.  
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TOPEKA, KAN., FEB. 8 (AP)-CAPTS. FREEMAN B. OLMSTEAD AND JOHN R. RAMAY AIR FORCE BASE, PUERTO RICO.

THE FORBES AIR FORCE BASE INFORMATION OFFICE SAID THE TWO RB47 CRAFT. THEIR CHILDREN REMAINED IN TOPEKA.

THE FLIERS WERE ALSO ACCOMPANIED BY DR. LAWRENCE C. SWEET OF THE FORBES MEDICAL STAFF.

A BASE SPOKESMAN SAID A REST AND RECUPERATION LEAVE IS NOT CHARGED AGAINST LEAVE RECORDS AND IS NORMALLY GIVEN ONLY DURING OR AFTER A HARSHIP ASSIGNMENT.

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ANSBACH, GERMANY, FEB. 8 (AP)-STALIN PRIZEWINNER ALEXANDER TSHEYEVSKI, WHO FLED TO WEST GERMANY TWO YEARS AGO, HAS FINALLY BEEN GRANTED ASYLUM AS A POLITICAL REFUGEE, AN ADMINISTRATIVE COURT ANNOUNCED TODAY.

THE WEST GERMANY REFUGEE OFFICE IN NUERNBERG HAD DENIED THE SOVIET AUTHOR'S APPLICATION FOR REFUGEE STATUS FOR TWO YEARS, CONTENDING THE MOTIVES FOR HIS FLIGHT WERE UNCLEAR.

THE WRITER SAID AFTER HIS DEFECTON THAT HE HAD NOT BEEN PERSECUTED FOR POLITICAL REASONS IN THE SOVIET UNION AND THAT HIS ENTIRE LITERARY PRODUCTION WAS INTENDED TO FURTHER COEXISTENCE BETWEEN COMMUNISM AND DEMOCRACY.

REVERSING THE REFUGEE OFFICE, THE ANSBACH COURT SAID TSHEYEVSKI WAS NOT A COMMUNIST AGENT AND THAT HIS DEFECTON WAS PROMPTED BY HONEST MOTIVES.

TSHEYEVSKI CROSSED FROM EAST INTO WEST BERLIN IN DECEMBER 1958 DURING A VISIT TO THE DIVIDED CITY. DURING THE LAST TWO YEARS HE REPORTEDLY HAS CONFERRED WITH OFFICIALS OF THE SOVIET UNION TO GERMANY. HE IS NOW UNDER CONTRACT TO A WEST GERMAN PUBLISHING FIRM.

A NATIVE OF GEORGIA, HE RECEIVED THE STALIN PRIZE IN 1951 FOR HIS NOVEL "LELO".

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NEW YORK, FEB. 8 (AP)-A PETITION WITH THE NAMES OF MORE THAN 400 CITIZENS URGING THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO ABOLISH ITS UN-AMERICAN ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE WAS PUBLISHED TONIGHT IN THE NEW YORK TIMES.

THE LIST OF NAMES, PUBLISHED WITH THE PETITION IN A PAID ADVERTISEMENT, INCLUDES LEADERS OF BUSINESS AND LABOR, CHURCHMEN, EDUCATORS, WRITERS, ACTORS, CIVIC LEADERS AND PUBLIC OFFICIALS.

THEIR NAMES SPREAD ACROSS NEARLY TWO PAGES OF THE TIMES AND ARE LISTED FROM EVERY SECTION OF THE COUNTRY.

AMONG THEM ARE DR. REINHOLD NIEBUHR, THEOLOGIAN; PUBLISHER ALFRED A. KNOPF, CALIFORNIA LONGSHOREMEN'S LEADER HARRY BRIDGES, RETIRED JUDGE J. WATIES WARING, SCIENTISTS HAROLD UREY, LINUS PAULING AND HARLOW SHAPLEY; MRS. FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT, WRITERS ELMER RICE, LOUIS UNTERMEYER, THORNTON WILDER, AND LEWIS MUMFORD, AND DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, SOUTHERN NEGRO LEADER.

LISTED AS SECRETARY-TREASURER OF THE COMMITTEE PUBLISHING THE ADVERTISEMENT IS JAMES IMBRIE, RETIRED INVESTMENT BANKER OF LAWRENCEVILLE, N.J., WHO WAS A CANDIDATE FOR THE U.S. SENATE FROM NEW JERSEY IN 1948 IN ASSOCIATION WITH HENRY WALLACE'S PROGRESSIVE PARTY CAMPAIGN FOR THE PRESIDENCY.

THE PETITION CHARGES THAT THE UN-AMERICAN ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

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HAS "CONDEMNED INDIVIDUAL AMERICANS, HAS WRECKED THE LIVES OF SOME, AND HAS DENIED THEM THE DUE PROCESS OF LAW THAT ENGLISH AND AMERICAN COURTS HAVE TOILSOMELY EVOLVED OVER MANY CENTURIES."

IT ALSO CHARGES THAT THE COMMITTEE'S ACTIVITIES HAVE DISCOURAGED WORK FOR PEACE, "HARASSED AMERICANS WHO WORK FOR RACIAL EQUALITY AND JUSTICE" AND HAMPERED U.S. RELATIONS WITH OTHER NATIONS.

"THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON UN-AMERICAN ACTIVITIES HAS IN THESE WAYS WEAKENED AMERICA." THE PETITION CONTINUES. "AT NO TIME IN HISTORY HAVE WE NEEDED TO BE STRONGER. AT NO TIME HAVE WE NEEDED TO BE WISER. LET US RID OURSELVES OF THIS AGENT OF WEAKNESS AND FOLLY."

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NIGHT LEAD MACMILLAN (280)  
BY ARTHUR GAVSHON

LONDON, FEB. 8 (AP)-FOREIGN SECRETARY LORD HOME CHALLENGED SOVIET PREMIER KHRUSHCHEV TODAY TO QUIT USING "THE LAOTIANS, THE CONGOLESE AND THE CUBANS AS PAWNS IN THE COLD WAR."

AT THE SAME TIME, HE CAME OUT FOR ADMISSION OF RED CHINA TO THE UNITED NATIONS WHILE ASSAILING THE PEIPING REGIME FOR ITS ACTS. DIPLOMATICS REPORTED EARLIER PRIME MINISTER MACMILLAN IS THINKING OF VISITING PEIPING NEXT FALL IN AN ATTEMPT TO IMPROVE RELATIONS. SPEAKING IN A HOUSE OF LORDS DEBATE ON FOREIGN POLICY, HOME LASHED OUT AGAINST WHAT HE SAID WAS THE COMMUNIST CONCEPTION OF COEXISTENCE.

"IT IS FOR MR. KHRUSHCHEV TO SAY IF HE IS GOING TO USE THE LAOTIANS, THE CONGOLESE AND THE CUBANS AS PAWNS IN THE COLD WAR OR WHETHER HE IS GOING TO OPEN A NEW CHAPTER OF REAL COEXISTENCE," HE SAID.

"IF COEXISTENCE IS GOING TO BE INTERPRETED AS . . . THE ADVOCATING OF SUBVERSION, POISONING THE INTERNATIONAL MIND AND DISRUPTING LAW AND ORDER, HOW CAN WE ARRIVE AT THE SETTLEMENT WE ALL SO PASSIONATELY DESIRE?"

ON RED CHINA, HOME SAID THE PEIPING GOVERNMENT HAS "SMOTHERED" TIBET, RESISTED ALL ATTEMPTS AT CONCILIATION, PUBLICLY PROCLAIMED ITS BELIEF IN WAR AND THEREFORE HAS FEW OF THE CREDENTIALS OF A PEACE-LOVING NATION.

"ALL THAT IS TRUE," THE FOREIGN SECRETARY ADDED, "BUT THE FACTS OF INTERNATIONAL LIFE REQUIRE THAT COMMUNIST CHINA SHOULD BE SEATED IN THE UNITED NATIONS."

ON EAST-WEST MEETINGS, HOME MADE NO DIRECT MENTION OF A POSSIBLE TRIP BY MACMILLAN TO RED CHINA'S CAPITAL. HE SAID MACMILLAN'S CONFERENCE WITH PRESIDENT KENNEDY IN WASHINGTON IN APRIL HAS BEEN WELL TIMED. IT WOULD FOLLOW A MEETING OF COMMONWEALTH PRIME MINISTERS IN LONDON BEGINNING MARCH 8.

AND IT WOULD PRECEDE "MEETINGS WHICH WILL BE NECESSARY WITH RUSSIA AND OTHER COMMUNIST COUNTRIES IF TENSIONS IN THE WORLD ARE TO BE LIFTED AT ALL IN 1961," HOME SAID.

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SAN DIEGO, CALIF., FEB. 8 (AP)-THE UNITED STATES IS BADLY IN NEED OF AN ADVANCED JET INTERCEPTOR TO COUNTER THE RUSSIAN BOMBER THREAT OVER THE NEXT DECADE, THE HEAD OF THE NORTH AMERICAN AIR DEFENSE COMMAND (NORAD) SAID TODAY.

"AND THERE IS NO ASSURANCE NOW OF THE AIR FORCE GETTING SUCH A PLANE IN THE 1960S," AIR FORCE GEN. LAURENCE S. KUTER SAID.

KUTER TOLD A NEWS CONFERENCE UPON HIS ARRIVAL FROM HIS COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO., HEADQUARTERS THAT RUSSIA HAS 1,200 MANNED BOMBERS THAT WILL POSE A PLANE-LAUNCHED MISSILE THREAT AGAINST THIS CONTINENT

DURING THE NEXT 10 YEARS.

"WE NEED LONGER-RANGE, FASTER INTERCEPTORS OF THE F-108 TYPE," HE SAID. "WE SHOULD BE GETTING A NEW MODEL READY FOR PRODUCTION NOW. TIME IS PASSING FAST."

"WE WOULD BE MOST UNSOUND IF WE DIDN'T EXPECT THE RUSSIANS TO PRODUCE A LONG-RANGE, AIR-TO-SURFACE MISSILE WHICH CAN BE LAUNCHED WELL BEYOND THE RANGE OF PRESENT INTERCEPTORS--THE F-102 AND F-106. WE NEED A NEW TYPE PLANE TO GO OUT AND MEET THIS THREAT."

Demonstrating his instant communication with his headquarters, KUTER had an aide dial his combat center for a first-hand report over a public address system.

He received a report that Russia's Sputnik No. 7 has broken up, into about seven major pieces, which are tumbling in space. Among the smaller debris identified by the space surveillance system are pieces as small as a pie plate.

KUTER SAID UNKNOWN SUBMARINES ARE OPERATING OFF THE AMERICAN COASTS ALMOST DAILY.

HE REVEALED THAT AN UNIDENTIFIED SUBMARINE WAS SIGHTED TODAY ONLY 40 MILES OFF THE BIG U.S. NAVAL BASE AT NORFOLK, VA.

KUTER CAME HERE FOR A CONFERENCE OF NORAD COMMANDERS TOMORROW AND FRIDAY. THEY WILL CONFER BEHIND CLOSED DOORS ON THEIR RESPONSIBILITY OF DEFENDING THE HEMISPHERE AGAINST AN AIR ATTACK.

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BY ARTHUR GAVSHON 344

LONDON, FEB 8 (APP)--A HIGH BRITISH OFFICIAL WHO IS AN OLD FRIEND OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY WILL FLY TO WASHINGTON SOON TO WORK OUT A NEW APPROACH TO THE SOVIET UNION ON BANNING NUCLEAR WEAPON TESTS.

GOVERNMENT SOURCES REPORTED TODAY DAVID ORMSBY-GORE, MINISTER OF STATE FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS, IS EXPECTED TO LEAVE BEFORE THE END OF THE MONTH.

THE THREE-NATION TALKS ON ENDING NUCLEAR TESTS RESUME IN GENEVA MARCH 21. BRITISH PRIME MINISTER MACMILLAN FEELS THEY HOLD PROMISE OF A REAL BREAKTHROUGH TO NEW RELATIONS WITH MOSCOW AND WIDER ACCORDS ON DISARMAMENT.

ORMSBY-GORE'S PRESENCE IN WASHINGTON AT A FORMATIVE STAGE OF AMERICAN POLICYMAKING WOULD ENABLE HIM TO TAKE BRITAIN'S CASE FOR COMPROMISE WITH THE RUSSIANS DIRECTLY TO KENNEDY IF NECESSARY. UNDER THE EISENHOWER ADMINISTRATION, THE U.S. NEGOTIATORS ADMITTED PRIVATELY THAT THEY WERE HAMPERED BY SQUABBLING AMONG THE PENTAGON, THE ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION AND THE STATE DEPARTMENT IN WORKING OUT A UNIFIED POLICY.

LESS THAN HALF A DOZEN IMPORTANT POINTS REMAIN TO BE SETTLED AT GENEVA AFTER 2 1/2 YEARS OF NEGOTIATIONS. THE MAIN DIFFICULTY CENTER COULD BE SECRET WEAPON TESTS. THE RUSSIANS HAVE SUGGESTED ALLOWING ABOUT FIVE INSPECTIONS AND THE AMERICANS ABOUT 25, WHILE THE

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GENEVA, N.Y., FEB. 8 (AP)--A COLLEGE CHEMISTRY PROFESSOR HAS RECEIVED RECOGNITION FOR HIS DISCOVERY OF A CHEMICAL WHICH PROTECTS PEOPLE FROM MUSTARD GAS, 22 YEARS AFTER NATIONAL SECURITY REQUIRED THAT IT BE KEPT A SECRET. 5-5 SF

DR. RALPH N. BULLARD, OF THE NOBART AND WILLIAM SMITH COLLEGES FACULTY, DEVELOPED A COMPOUND, WITH THE HELP OF NOBART STUDENTS, IN 1939 WHICH DESTROYED MUSTARD GAS.

A PATENT WAS GRANTED TO THE LAKE ERIE CHEMICAL CO., TO WHICH DR. BULLARD ASSIGNED THE INVENTION. LAST MONTH.

ARMY OFFICIALS SAID IN 1939 THAT THE PROCESS MIGHT BE LEARNED BY AN ENEMY IF IT WAS PATENTED.

A SPOKESMAN AT THE COLLEGE SAID DR. BULLARD HAD TRIED SEVERAL TIMES TO HAVE THE FORMULA DECLASSIFIED BY THE ARMY BUT IT WAS NOT UNTIL LATE LAST YEAR THAT HE WAS SUCCESSFUL, APPARENTLY BECAUSE IT IS NOW KNOWN TO BE AVAILABLE TO SEVERAL GOVERNMENTS.

THE PRINCIPAL EFFECT OF THE COMPOUND WAS TO NEUTRALIZE THE POISONOUS GAS THAT CAUSES SEVERE BURNS AND BLISTERS. IT WAS POSSIBLE TO SPRAY CLOTHING WITH THE COMPOUND AND THEREBY PREVENT THE MUSTARD GAS FROM SEEPING THROUGH AND INJURING A PERSON'S SKIN.

DR. BULLARD SAID THAT THE COMPOUND ALSO GIVES PROTECTION AGAINST OTHER VESICANT, OR BLISTER-PRODUCING, GASES.

GAS MASKS STILL ARE REQUIRED, HOWEVER, TO PROTECT THE RESPIRATORY SYSTEM.

DR. BULLARD BEGAN RESEARCH ON THE COMPOUND EARLY IN THE 1930'S AND BY LATE 1937 HAD MADE CONSIDERABLE PROGRESS. IT THEN BECAME A PROCESS OF IMPROVING IT UNTIL PROTECTION AGAINST MUSTARD GAS WAS THOROUGHLY EFFECTIVE.

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BY JOHN WEYLAND 5-50

BOHN, GERMANY, FEB 8 (AP)--GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS EXPECT CHANCELLOR KONRAD ADENAUER AND PRESIDENT CHARLES DE GAULLE TO GET CLOSER TOGETHER ON THEIR IDEAS FOR EUROPEAN CO-OPERATION WHEN THEY MEET TOMORROW IN PARIS.

ADENAUER IS REGARDED HERE AS HAVING COME AROUND CONSIDERABLY FROM THE COOLNESS HE SHOWED TOWARD DE GAULLE'S PROPOSALS WHEN THEY MET LAST JULY.

THESE PROPOSALS CONCERNED DE GAULLE'S AMBITION TO CREATE A CONFEDERATED EUROPE. THE 85-YEAR-OLD WEST GERMAN LEADER GAVE THEM AN UNENTHUSIASTIC RECEPTION. HE PREFERENCES INTEGRATION TO CONFEDERATION.

GOVERNMENT SOURCES NOW REPORT THAT ADENAUER HAS DECIDED SOME COMPROMISE CAN BE CONSIDERED WITHOUT JEOPARDIZING HIS BASIC POSITION. ACCOMPANIED BY FOREIGN MINISTER REINHOLD VON REINTANG, HE WILL MEET

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PRIVATELY IN THE AFTERNOON WITH DE GAULLE. THEIR MEETING PRECEDES A MEETING OF GOVERNMENT CHIEFS FROM THE COMMON MARKET COUNTRIES THE NEXT DAY. THEY ARE FRANCE, GERMANY, ITALY, NOLLAND, BELGIUM AND LUXENBOURG.

BONN-FIRST ADD ADENAUER-DE GAULLE (SSG) XXX LUXENBOURG.

ON DE GAULLE'S PROPOSALS FOR CREATING COMMISSIONS ON DEFENSE, ECONOMICS, FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND CULTURE WITH EACH COUNTRY REPRESENTED BY ITS APPROPRIATE MINISTER, ADENAUER IS SAID TO HAVE VARYING DEGREES OF AGREEMENT AND DISAGREEMENT.

ADENAUER WILL ACCEPT A DEFENSE MINISTERS' COMMISSION IF IT IS NOT TURNED INTO A "CONTINENTAL EUROPEAN DEFENSE CLUB" AND ENCROACH ON NATO, INFORMANTS SAID.

THEY MAINTAINED THAT ADENAUER REJECTS AN ECONOMICS MINISTERS' COMMISSION, SAYING IT MIGHT INTERFERE WITH THE COMMON MARKET. BUT HE REPORTEDLY HAS NO OBJECTION TO A COMMISSION OF FOREIGN MINISTERS.

THE CHANCELLOR, THE SOURCES SAID, WOULD WELCOME ESTABLISHMENT OF A CULTURAL COMMISSION, PROVIDED THE DIFFICULTY OF DIFFERENT LEVELS IN THE VARIOUS CULTURAL FIELDS COULD BE OVERCOME.

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